■ WORLD / A10

Egyptian passenger ferry sinks in Red Sea; over 1,000 still missing

■ METRO / A17

Fast-food manager kills himself after fatally shooting boss

Do you have a story to tell about Edsa I? [illegible]

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Head of US intelligence commends RP democracy

WASHINGTON—THE UNITED STATES' TOP intelligence official lauded the Philippines on Thursday for its commitment to democracy, despite political turbulence stemming from accusations that President Macapagal-Arroyo cheated in the 2004 election.

However, US National Intelligence Director John Negroponte noted that the Arroyo administration was struggling with [illegible]

HEAD/A6

Antiriot cops have new item in arsenal: video cams

By Luigo A. del Puerto

BUT NOBE PHODEOS [illegible] they're not.

When antiriot cops face militant groups in street protests scheduled in the first quarter of the year, expect them to carry [illegible]

ANTIRIOT/A7



No new mining permits

Wow! Peso streaks into 51 territory; GMA ecstatic

By Doris C. Dumlao and Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

THE PESO YESTERDAY CONTINUED its upward streak, breaching the 52-key barrier against the US dollar to close at 51.91, its highest level in more than three years, boosted by robust investment inflows, weak corporate demand and positive market sentiment on the Philippines.

In Malacañang, President Macapagal-Arroyo was ecstatic over the peso's uptick and immediately took credit for it, citing the ongoing fiscal reforms she had implemented.

"I passed by my mandate, it was 51.96 (to the dollar). Wow!" Ms Arroyo said on television yesterday.

The local currency broke into the 51 level in early morning trade, hit an intraday high of 51.90 before closing at 51.91, its highest finish since Sept. 11, 2002. It gained another 38 centavos from Thursday's close of 52.29 [illegible].

A total of $266.5 million changed hands at the spot foreign exchange market Philippine Dealing System.

Tagged as Asia's best performing currency in 2005 when it surged by 6 percent against the US dollar, the peso has now rallied by about 2 percent since ending last year at 53.09 [illegible].

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Amando Tetangco Jr. said superior sentiment remained positive for the peso thanks to good economic data.

WOW/A8





HOME IS THE HERO: The body of Chief Warrant Officer Rael Garcia (left) is met upon arrival by an honor guard of 10 US soldiers at the Naia on Thursday night (above). A Fil-Am pilot, he was flying a US Apache helicopter gunship when it was struck by a surface-to-air missile in Iraq last month. He'll be buried on Feb. 7 in his native Obando, Bulacan. (Story on Page A2.)

GMA offers moratorium to appease bishops

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr. and Blanche S. Rivera

PRESIDENT MACAPAGAL-ARROYO has offered to suspend the issuance of new mining permits to try to appease Roman Catholic bishops strongly opposed to the country's new Mining Act, a top Malacañang official said yesterday.

But mining industry executives warned such a move would make the Philippines a pariah to foreign investors whom Ms Arroyo had aggressively wooed to put their money in the country after the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Mining Act in 2004.

A senior Palace official, who was privy to Ms Arroyo's talks with the bishops in Malacañang Monday night, said the proposed moratorium would not cover the existing mining permits with a total of [illegible] billion in investments that should keep the local industry busy over the next four years.

Earlier, acting Presidential Chief of Staff Mike Defensor had indicated to reporters during Ms Arroyo's visit to Albay the other day that Malacañang was no longer keen about issuing new mining permits.

The Palace official clarified that nothing was final yet.

"Pinaplano pa lang iyan ... [illegible] (That is still in the planning stage. That was our offer to the bishops)," said the official, who asked not to be identified, saying he had not been officially authorized to talk about the meeting.

NO NEW/A6

Ombudsman challenged: Probe agri scam

By TJ Burgonio

CHALLENGE TO OMBUDSMAN Merceditas Gutierrez: Investigate agriculture and local government officials involved in the P728-million fertilizer fund scam, and haul them to court.

Senate President Franklin Drilon issued the challenge a day after listening to damning testimonies from Commission on Audit officials and broker Jose Barredo Jr. at a hearing on the scam conducted by the Senate committee on agriculture.

"Considering the gravity of this mind-boggling corruption scheme and the reckless paper trail it left behind for everyone to see, I think it is now incumbent upon the Office of the Ombudsman to take over this case," Drilon said yesterday.

"The evidence is overwhelming. The COA itself said there was massive overpricing of fertilizer at the expense of our poor and starving farmers," he said.

The committee also took further steps to unmask the people behind Feshan Philippines Inc., a major supplier of fertilizer that is suspected to have links with ex-Agriculture Undersecretary Jocelyn "Joc-Joc" Bolante.

The fertilizer fund, reportedly managed by Bolante, was believed to have been diverted to ensure the victory of President Macapagal-Arroyo in the May 2004 polls.

More than 100 congressmen, 53 governors and 26 town mayors received between P3 million and P5 million each in fertilizer funds from the DA shortly before the elections, COA records showed.

Bolante has been missing since last year.

Drilon said the committee was [illegible]

OMBUDSMAN/A6



FOUR-YEAR-OLD Jason Fianega recuperates in hospital after he survived the ruthless attack on his family in Barangay Liang in Patikul, Sulu. His two other siblings were also wounded.

Massacre of 6 moves Sulu villagers to tears

By Julie S. Alipala
PDI Mindanao Bureau

PATIKUL, SULU—THEY WERE used to violence but the sight of the bullet-riddled body of a baby girl lying on top of her equally dead mother was too much and the residents could not help but cry.

The mother and child were among six people killed in Barangay Liang in Patikul early dawn yesterday in the latest upsurge of violence in Sulu, where Muslim rebels, terrorists and criminal gangs roam, and family feuds are settled with guns.

"This was very inhuman," a woman resident said. Another neighbor just kept silent but she cried, as though to blur the sight of the gruesome scene.

Even journalists who had been to many gory scenes of violence could not control their emotions.

Police investigator SPO2 Sangkula Hasmin said the gunmen must have been very [illegible]

MASSACRE/A8



GMA GOES TO MARKET with Vice President Noli (behind is Rep. Mia Defensor) to monitor the prices of basic goods following the implementation of an additional 2 percent in the VAT rate. At the Mega-Q Mart, she blames the rising cost of sugar to hoarders who, she says, will be hunted down by the NBI. The country will also import sugar as soon as possible, Ms Arroyo discloses, to bring down its price.

Finally, 2 aging RP sisters are citizens of Japan

TOKYO—TWO ELDERLY SISTERS IN THE Philippines born to a Japanese father before World War II expressed joy Friday after a court granted them Japanese nationality in an unprecedented case.

Some 2,500 children of Japanese origin were left in the Philippines after the war, facing discrimination and poverty with many never knowing the names of their fathers.

Tokyo Family Court on Thursday granted nationality to two Japanese-Filipinas for the first time. In contrast, Japan has long recognized the orphaned children of Japanese origin left behind in China after the war.

"I've been waiting for this news for a long time," said Corazon Kiho, 82, whose Japanese name is Kazuko Ishibata, in a statement from Davao City.

FINALLY/A6

Second FRONTPAGE

ERC to appeal SC decision

By Abigail L. Ho

THE ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION intends to appeal a Supreme Court decision nullifying its order approving a 13.27 centavo per kilowatt hour increase in the generation charge that the Manila Electric Co. levies on its customers.

Body of Fil-Am pilot arrives; another one dies

NPA frees captive Air Force major

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Brunei cops arrest 4 RP workers for Pinay's murder


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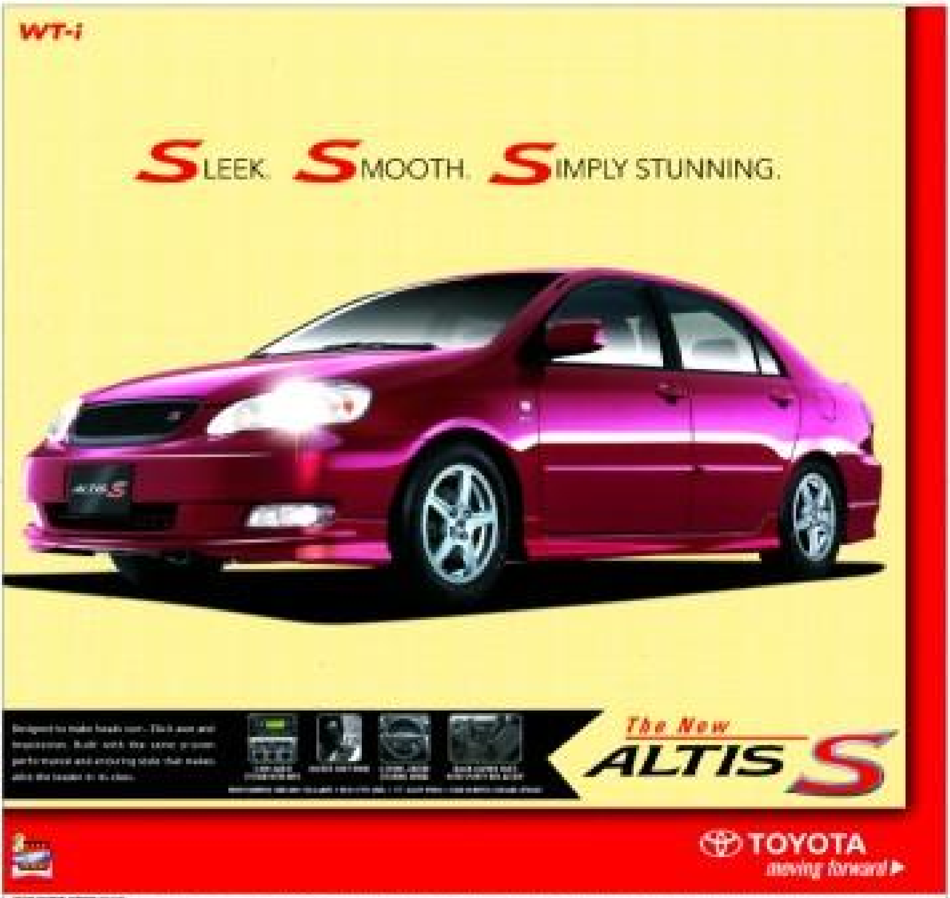
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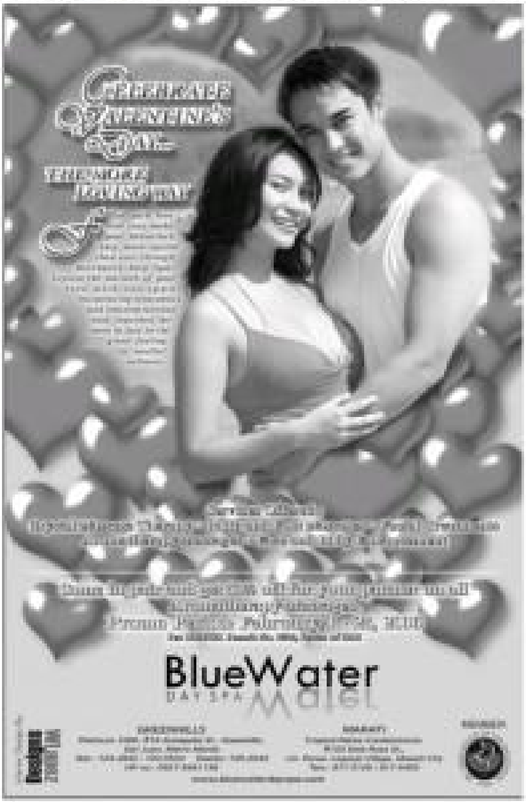
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Administration solons bewail 'smear job'

By Michael Lim Ubac

Head of US intelligence ...

Burma hit

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Country's credibility

New jobs, more taxes

Main example

No need for rush

40 concessions under review

Hopes on mining

Antiriot cops have new item in arsenal: video cams

Video vs video

CPR policy

Emotional pressure



QUEROL: We have to protect our cops from charges of human rights violations.



Massacre of 6 moves Sulu villagers ...

Houses strafed

The victims

Deep anger

Bullets fly

No help came

Gunmen returned

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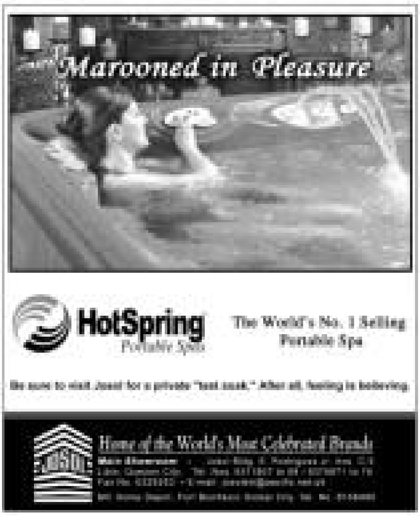
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Abu Sayyaf plotting fresh attacks in Metro, says state prosecutor

Philippine-American war remembered

The WORLD

Battle lines drawn over cartoons row

PARIS—AN INTERNATIONAL ROW OVER NEWSpaper cartoons of the Prophet Mohammad gathered pace on Thursday as more European dailies printed controversial Danish caricatures and Muslims increased pressure to stop them.

Egypt ferry sinks in Red Sea; over 1,000 missing

Enron jury hears tape of Skilling cursing investor



HAWAII FIXTURE NOW A SUNSET INDUSTRY?

21 Iraqis, 5 US soldiers die in rebel attacks across Iraq

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Iraq 7th country where bird flu has killed people

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US visas for experts

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Venezuela expels US attaché

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Boehner now US House leader

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Dead people

EDITORIAL

EVEN AS THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES declared its investigation of the "Hello Garci" tapes closed, the continuing Senate probe into the P728-million fertilizer scam, as well as the recent hearing on the budget of the Presidential Commission on Good Government, have served to remind the public that it is not. In fact, what has been happening in the Senate served to refresh in the public mind what "Hello Garci" inquiry demonstrated: the great reluctance of the Arroyo administration to come clean about the controversies that bitterly divide the nation.

Such reluctance is clearly manifested in the cat-and-mouse game some central characters in these controversies have been playing with Congress, and the evasive, if not outlandish, replies of administration officials and witnesses to lawmakers' questions as well as Executive Order 464 which bars officials of the Executive Branch from appearing in legislative hearings without the President's permission. All of which has made a mockery of legislative processes and made fools of our legislators.

Former Agriculture Undersecretary Jocelyn "Jocjoc" Bolante's failure to attend so many Senate hearings on the fertilizer scam, including the most recent one on Jan. 31, was reminiscent of the prolonged absence of former Elections Commissioner Virgilio Garcillano from the House investigation of the "Hello Garci" scandal and electoral fraud last year. PCGG Chair Camilo Sabio's refusal to answer questions about reported negotiations with businessman Eduardo M. Cojuangco Jr. regarding San Miguel Corp. shares bought with coconut levy funds sounded very much like the evasive answers given by National Security Adviser Norberto Gonzales during the Senate hearing on the Venable contract in September 2005.

Gonzales said he had signed the contract on his own, but dodged questions about the extent of President Macapagal-Arroyo's involvement in the agreement as well as the funding for the contract. Press Secretary Ignacio Bunye defended Gonzales' "silence," saying the latter was under obligation not to divulge security matters. In the Senate hearing on the budget of the Presidential Commission on Good Government last Jan. 30, Sabio parried questions regarding the reported negotiations on a compromise deal by citing a provision in the law creating PCGG which says, "No member or staff of the commission [PCGG] shall be required to testify or produce evidence in any judicial, legislative, or administrative proceeding concerning matters within its official cognizance."

Sabio's stunt is only the latest act of noncooperation, if not outright defiance of Congress by administration officials and allies. And while lawmakers are being reduced to toothless tigers, public funds, including recovered Marcos wealth, are evaporating, leaving behind nothing concrete or convincing even for the administration to crow about.

For example, Budget Secretary Romulo Neri has admitted that P27 billion out of the P35-billion in Marcos funds deposited recovered from a Swiss bank has been spent. There is suspicion that the P728 million squandered in the fertilizer scam came from this fund. And according to former Sen. Jovito Salonga, this could be one reason the President could not "tell the whole truth" about the "Hello-Garci" case.

With the Senate immobilized by EO 464 and a House happily festooned by pork, who is now to check the executive? With so many people close to the President being linked to big-time corruption, what agency will dare to investigate them? Who will watch over the people's money? And what happens now to the right of the people to information?

"A people without information is a dead people," Inquirer columnist Jaime Mercado quoted journalist Rosalinda Velasquez as saying. And President Arroyo [illegible] the importance of letting the people know what is going on in government during her inaugural address of [illegible]. She stressed then that in order "to ensure that our gains are not dissipated through corruption, we must improve the government's moral standards. As we do so, we create a fertile ground for good governance based on a sound moral foundation, a philosophy of transparency, and an ethic of effective implementation."

Transparency? What we have seen in the past five years of her presidency and in the acts of many of her officials and allies makes us wonder if she ever meant what she said. Or are we already a dead people?

A presumptuous superfluity

SEPARATE OPINION

Isagani A. Cruz

I HAVE NOT BOTHERED TO READ THE proposed revision of the present Constitution as prepared by the Consultative Commission because its provenance is suspicious, its very existence is doubtful, and its operations are [illegible].

The body was created by President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo for the announced purpose of studying the revision of the Constitution of 1987 [illegible]

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Teaching citizens to fight corruption

GET REAL

Solita Collas-Monsod

NO LONGER CAN ANYONE PLEAD IGNORANCE [illegible]

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Sabio should quit company chairmanships

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Jocelyn "Joc-joc" Bolante

Pacman should stay out of politics

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More honorable than our political leaders

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Dark implications of 'graceful exit' scenario

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Biggest threat to GMA's reign

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Destabilizers in government

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Across the NATION



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

2 PDI staffers post bail for libel from mayor in infra scam

Napocor told: Pay for Semirara spill

THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT urged the National Power Corp. to compensate residents of Semirara who are to suffer from what was described as the country's worst oil spill ever from a Napocor power barge.

Exec of firm that won ₱550M Batangas project arrested on copyright charges

Comelec deadlocked on Tanauan case

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Myla's legacy in small Bohol village

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Back to normal



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A mom's e-mail

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DANGEROUS JOB

A worker without any safety gear makes his way down a building in Quezon City after a painting job.

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ON TARGET

Ramon Tulfo



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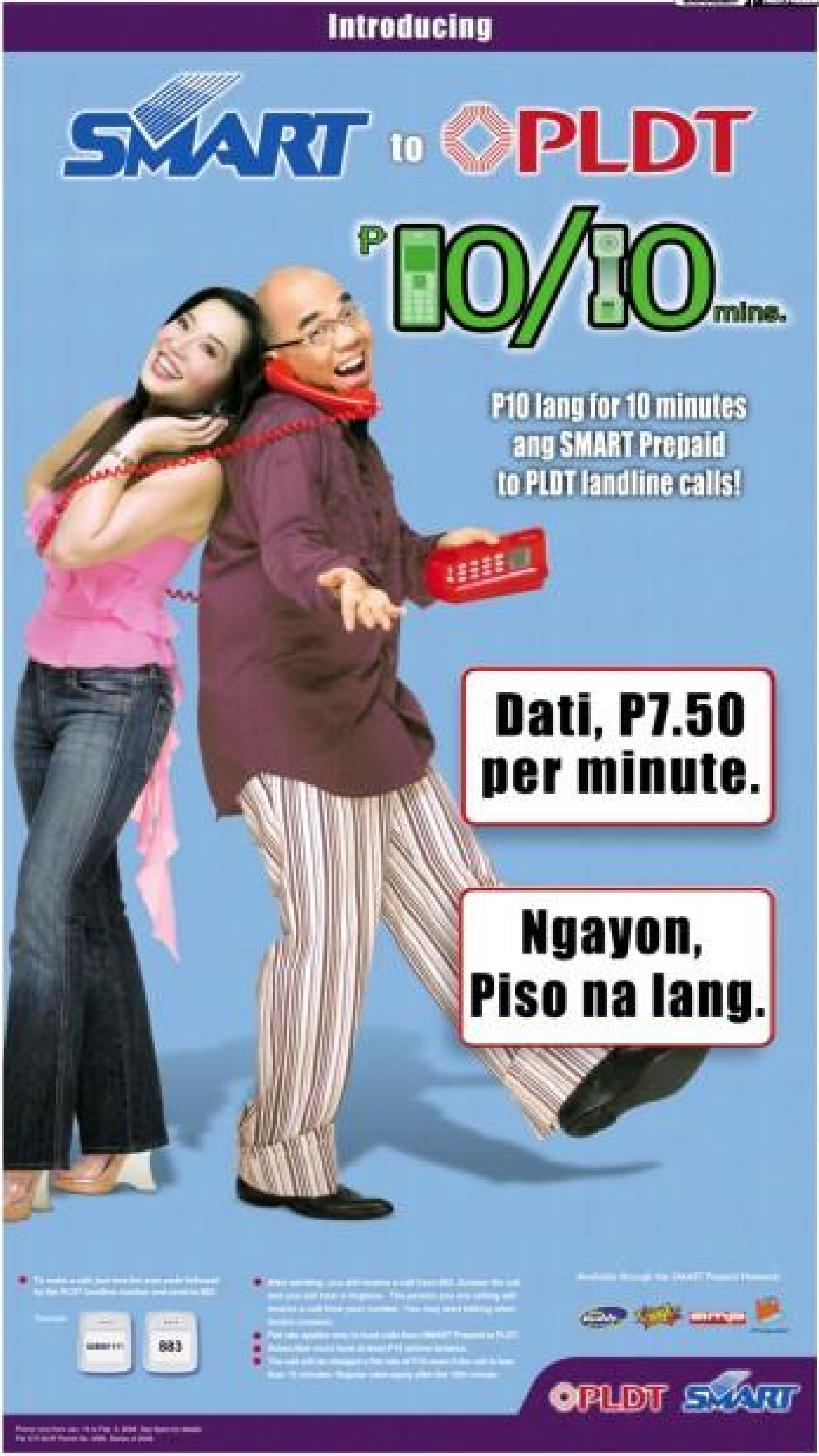
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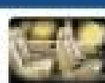
BENNISH Bhola of Air21 drives through a trio of Purefoods defenders. The Giants advanced to the championship last night.

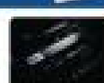
Giants nail Finals slot

By Jose Marzo

ROGER YAP DRAINED A THREE-pointer that helped Purefoods cool off a hot Air21 rally and the Giants held on for a 96-79 victory last night that shunted them to the finals of the San Mig Coffee-PBA Fiesta Conference.







World body will decide if Singson can still fight

Brian looks up to Manny

In Huddle



Granada duo blasts volley foe



Giants nail Finals slot

Korean bet builds 10-pt lead with 66

Roberto far 2nd in Southern Ladies



Two former champs want Pacman in May



RP basketball oddity: Rival nat'l schools' tourneys set

La Salle GH, Ateneo seek FBL championship berths today



Heat rout Cavs; Spurs triumph

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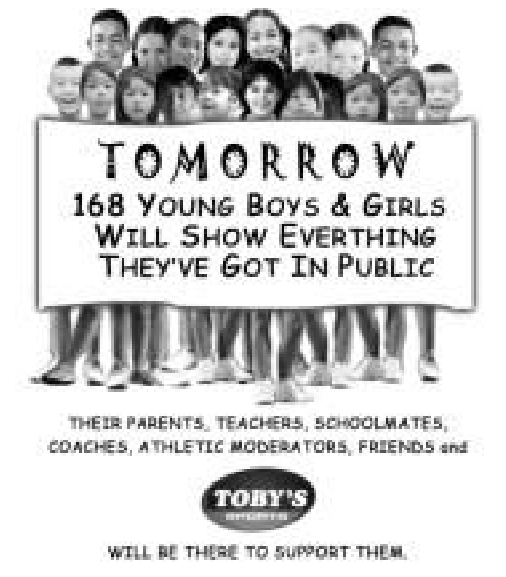
Trash-talkin' spices up Super Bowl face-off between Steelers, Seahawks



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UE, Lyceum hurdle rivals

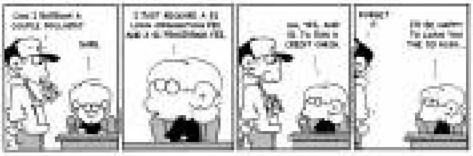
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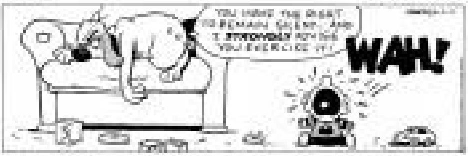


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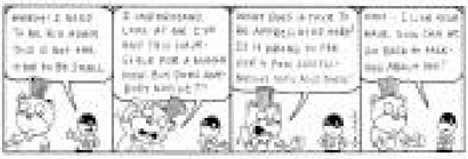
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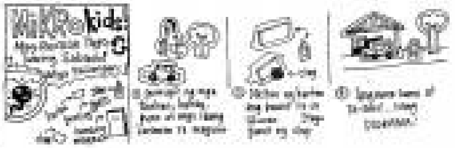
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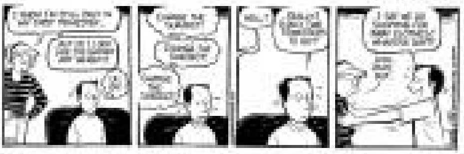
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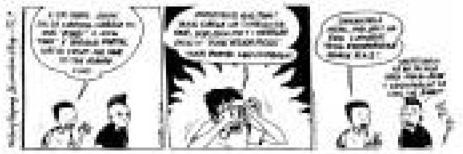






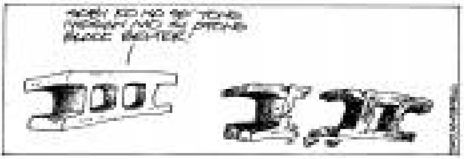






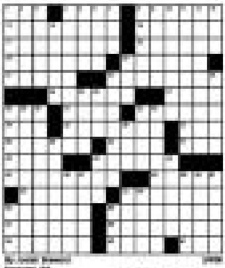


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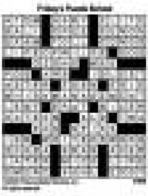


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Forbidden love, missed chances in 'Brokeback Mountain'





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Go for broke



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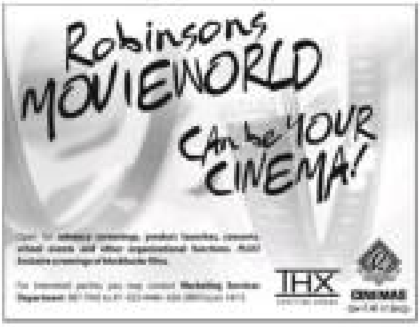
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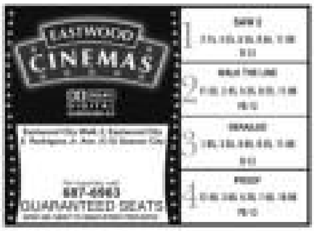






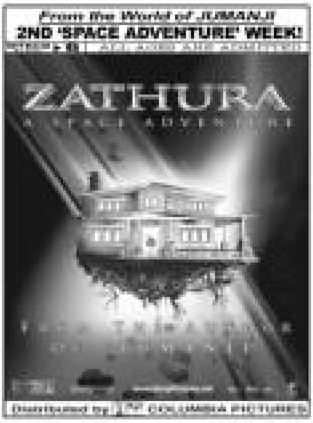




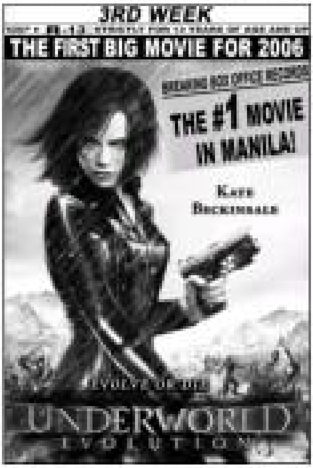


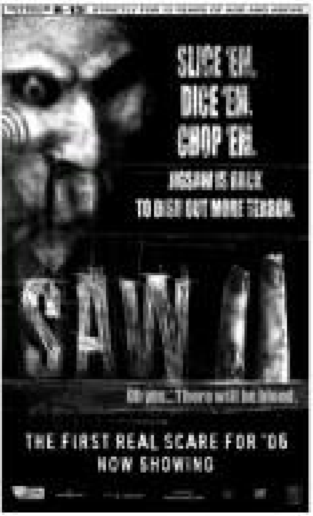




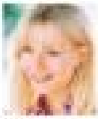








Paltrow is too sane to be unstable



PALTROW: Competent and understated.

Dissertation student

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Starting the year right with Tita Muñoz



MUÑOZ: Valuable source of information on the history of Philippine TV

Programs

Knowledge

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Insensitive

Lack of resources

Misery







STREET SMART

Mandy Navasero

Woman power

EVELYN R. SINGSON ... as the first woman president of the prestigious Management Association of the Philippines (MAP). Singson is a former awardee of the Ten Outstanding Women in the Nation's Service (TOWNS).

Inaugural speech

In her inaugural speech, Singson credited the association's board of directors for having aptly chosen "Call to Action: 'Country Above Self'" as their theme this year. She stated that love of country is not a luxury—it is a necessary ingredient for economic success.

She believes that MAP must take the initiative to make things happen.

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SINGSON: Love of country is necessary ingredient for economic success.

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Tommy Abuel is back as tri-media star

By Nestor U. Torre

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ABUEL: Versatility personified.

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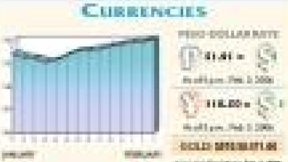


More 'hot money' outflow posted in January

Foreigners take profit on gov't securities holdings

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS in local equities and debt paper posted a net outflow of $118.5 million in January, a sharp reversal of the $543.5 million in net portfolio inflow in the same month last year.

Gov't cautions Congress on tax exemption hike

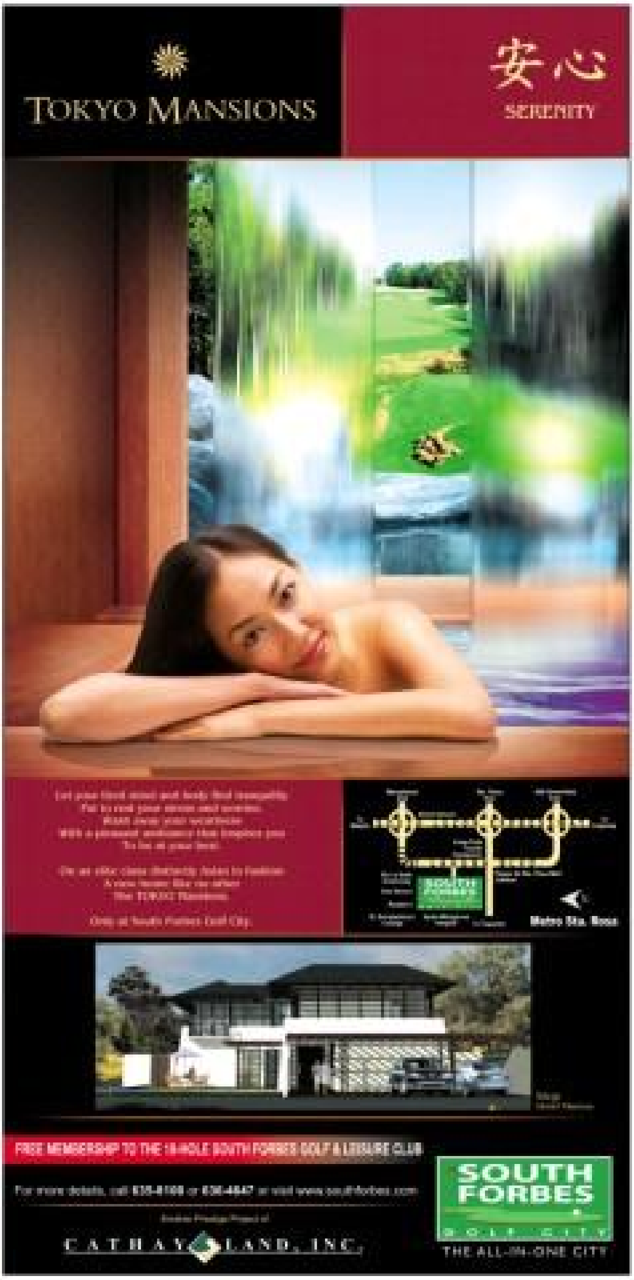


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STOCK MARKET

Shares close slightly lower



First Gen shares fully subscribed

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez



COME WITH THE RAIN

ALI looking at additional bond issue

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BREAKTIME

Conrado R. Banal III



ePLDT still evaluating Philweb price

By Clarissa S. Batino

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Denmark pledges support to RP wind power plan

₱15 a month helps family nutrition

COMMENTARY

Background

Balanced nutrition plan

Foundation seeds

Free technology forum

BUSINESS

Sugar prices may become as volatile as oil's

Industrial users urged to buy directly from farmers

In 2008, gov't budget seen at a surplus

Subic zone eyed as site for $300-M glassware factory

SCIENCE/HEALTH

Intensifying research to fight diseases



$800M for 1 drug

20 drugs in 5 years

Math: nature or nurture?

EUREKA!



Character trait

Barely passing math

Not genetic

Pythagorean theorem

Honing one's ability

Go red for women

MEDICAL FILES

Smoking, exercise

Leading causes of death

Other risk factors

Wear Red Day

Vested interests

Lack of focus

Plants gone bad

DISCOVER



Methane from plants

Mixed reactions



PROPERTY

Editor: Cesar D. Mangawang

REST & RECREATION DEV'T

Leisure market to make presence felt

By Tessa R. Salazar

WHAT DOES 2006 HOLD for rest and recreation (R&R) development such as resorts and the retail/mall sectors?

Developers see the future is bright for this market, though at times it may be a bit "cloudy."

Rick Soriano, RSA Philippines country president and CEO, says he expects a softening of demand for lifestyle-related developments, adding that the primary targets are relatively small vis-a-vis the total percentage of the real estate market.

Primary target market

"In real estate demographics, we are looking at possibly a primary target market of around [illegible] percent for the lifestyle market," Soriano says. [illegible] Real Estate, a multinational real estate service provider, manages Eastwood.

Soriano, however, is optimistic when it comes to the retail/mall sector.

"I am bullish about the prospects in the retail/mall sector. Aside from the residential market, the retail front has been the saving grace for the industry as it continues to sustain positive growth through the years," he said.

Soriano adds that retail success will ultimately depend on private and government sector collaboration by way of infrastructure developments like new and improved roads, mass transit or people mover systems, consistency in urban planning, and in-bound worker relocation.

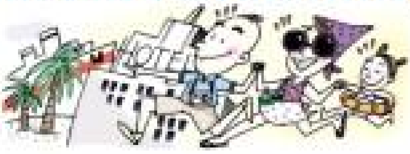
Quality resorts

Emilio C. Ignacio, general manager for Robinsons Land Corp.'s high-rise buildings division, sees a market for quality resorts, but stressed that this will be in selected niche markets only.

"Many areas in the country are already saturated, so expansion of commercial areas will be quite limited and selective," he says.

Maricris Aldovino, vice president and head of Ayala Land Inc.'s leisure and lifestyle communities, says the need for rest and recreation becomes a want after an individual satisfies his or her primary needs such as a house to live in.

She adds that the Filipino market, while basically still a primary home market, has in recent years demonstrated an existing and "substantive" leisure market as evidenced by an estimated P8.2 billion in gross revenues in 2004. (Last year's figures indicate P9 billion in gross revenues, an increase of 10 percent, in the leisure area.)



RP firm ranks 94th in World Architecture Top 200

THE PHILIPPINES' PREMIER ARCHITECTURAL, planning and design firm Palafox Associates now ranks 94th overall in the World Architecture Top 200.

The result, as published in the January 2006 edition of BD World Architecture, showed the firm has improved its position in the overall listing of the Top 200 largest architectural practices in the world from its 105th place in 2005.

The list, being dominated by architectural firms from the United States, United Kingdom, Japan and other European countries, singled out Palafox Associates as the only Southeast Asian architectural firm.

Debut

The firm debuted in 1999 when it ranked 220th in the Top 200 architectural firms of the world. Six years later, Palafox Associates consistently eases its way up when it breaks into the Top 100 ready.

The Building Design World Architecture is published in London and is circulated around the globe. It holds an annual survey for the largest architectural practices based on project aggregate, workforce, fee income and market sectors.

These sectors, or fields of specialization, include urban design, transport, hotels, government buildings, education, residential, master-planning, cultural, business parks, health care, sports, industrial, retail and leisure.

The data for the rankings and tables were gathered after practices from around the globe have been surveyed.

Creative passion

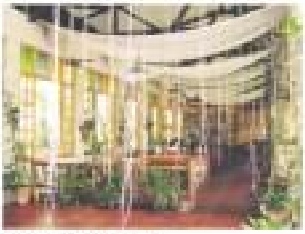


LIVING ARCHITECTURE



Filipino look

Lush landscaping



Brittany creates master-planned communities

Italian-themed enclave

Developer's vision

Dynamic enclave

Urban renewal







Synthetic stones. . .

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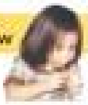


Super

Live fast, die young, such goes the rock 'n roll credo. But what really is the price to pay for those youthful, magical moments?



OUT THE WINDOW



When your reality check bounces

Tala Diaz

AH, THE morning after.

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La Vida Local



Commonplace @ Lumiere Gallery, until Feb. 28

Kebab and Wine Festival @ Quezon, Feb. 8

SPIT @ Magnet Cafe, Feb. 9, 16 and 23

Other Super! 24/7 events:

Feb. 4, Saturday

Feb. 5, Sunday



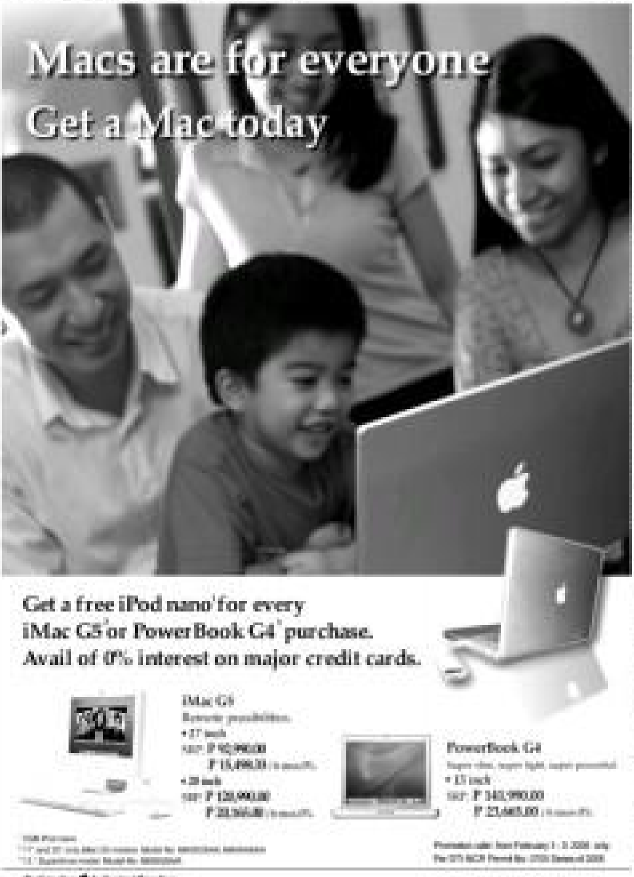
Feb. 6, Monday

Feb. 7, Tuesday

Feb. 8, Wednesday

Feb. 9, Thursday

Feb. 10, Friday



When your reality check bounces



Are we ready for the Big time?



ENTERTAINMENT IS WEIRD. There's a big money-making, capitalist, cutthroat, aspect to it. But behind it is a lot of heart and passion. Without this heart and passion it won't survive.

The line between art-making and money-making is pretty thin these days. Pop artists are here to sell stuff, not sing stuff. Few of our 'creative people' are here to innovate—most of them are here to ride fads

(Starving) artists

We compete!

B*tching about the masses









If God is a DJ ... then iGod

More of these awesome things called iDJ parties! More!

